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| 3. This report contains indications relating to the following items: | | | | | | | |
| I X Basis of the report | | | | | | | |
| II Priority | | | | | | | |
| III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability | | | | | | | |
| IV Lack of unity of invention | | | | | | | |
| Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement | | | | | | | |
| VI Certain documents cited | | | | | | | |
| VII Certain defects in the international application | | | | | | | |
| VIII Certain observations o | n the international application | | | | | | |
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I. Basis of the report

The basis of this international preliminary examination is the application as originally filed.

V. Reasoned statement under Rule 66.2(a)(ii) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability

In light of the documents cited in the international search report, it is considered that the invention as defined in the claims meets the criteria mentioned in Article 33 (1) PCT, i.e. it appears to be novel, to involve an inventive step and to be industrially applicable.